

ELECTION RESULTS

President	
Mitt Romney / Paul Ryan (R)	206
Barack Obama / Joe Biden (D)	303
Projected electoral college delegates as of 1 a.m.	

U.S. Senator	
Ted Cruz (R)	57.57%
Paul Sadler (D)	39.64%
83% precincts reporting	

U.S. Rep., District 10	
Michael McCaul (R)	62.41%
Tawana W. Cadien (D)	34.73%
83% precincts reporting	

U.S. Rep., District 17	
Bill Flores (R)*	81.21%
Ben Easton (L)	18.78%
95% precincts reporting	

U.S. Rep., District 21	
Lamar Smith (R)*	62.30%
Candace E. Duvál (D)	33.96%
88% precincts reporting	

U.S. Rep., District 25	
Roger Williams (R)	60.74%
Elaine Henderson (D)	35.50%
85% precincts reporting	

U.S. Rep., District 35	
Susan Narvaiz (R)	33.29%
Lloyd Doggett* (D)	62.92%
88% precincts reporting	

State Sen., District 14	
Kirk Watson* (D)	80.59%
Ryan M. Dixon (L)	19.40%
54% precincts reporting	

State Sen., District 21	
Grant Rostig (R)	31.39%
Judith Zaffirini* (D)	65.58%
69% precincts reporting	

State Sen., District 25	
Donna Campbell (R)	66.04%
John Courage (D)	33.95%
95% precincts reporting	

State Rep., District 46	
Dawnna Dukes* (D)	87.16%
Andy Fernandez (L)	12.83%
42% precincts reporting	

State Rep., District 47	
Paul Workman* (R)	58.74%
Chris Frandsen (D)	36.82%
49% precincts reporting	

State Rep., District 48	
Robert Thomas (R)	36.69%
Donna Howard* (D)	58.78%
50% precincts reporting	

State Rep., District 49	
Elliott Naishtat* (D)	83.69%
Kent Phillips (L)	16.30%
49% precincts reporting	

State Rep., District 51	
Eddie Rodriguez* (D)	88.23%
Arthur DiBianca (L)	11.76%
42% precincts reporting	

Central Health, Prop. 1	
For	54.67%
Against	45.33%

City of Austin, Prop. 1	
For	76.60%
Against	23.40%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 2	
For	75.65%
Against	24.35%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 3	
For	59.89%
Against	40.11%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 4	
For	50.97%
Against	49.03%
92% precincts reporting	

*denotes incumbent



UT apparel and design students display work at Sew Much More.
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Texas defense now a strength for Longhorns.
SPORTS PAGE 8

Prop. 1 passes, gives life to medical school

By Joshua Fechter

UT is one step closer to establishing a medical school after voters approved a ballot initiative Tuesday that will increase property taxes to partially fund a proposed UT medical school and teaching hospital.

About 55 percent of Travis County voters approved increasing property taxes collected by Central Health, Travis County's hospital district, from 7.89 cents to 12.9 cents per \$100 of assessed property value. 45 percent voted against the tax increase.

186,128 voted in favor of the increase and 154,308 voted against.

The increase will contribute an estimated \$35 million annually toward operations at the teaching hospital and pur-

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State Sen. Kirk Watson delivers a speech at Driskill Hotel Tuesday. Prop. 1, which passed Tuesday, will improve health care in Travis County, according to Watson.

Emily Ng
Daily Texan Staff

FOUR-WARD



Charles Rex Arbogast | Associated Press

Obama clinches win to serve second term

By Bobby Blanchard

After what some experts have called one of the closest presidential races in history, Barack Obama has secured four more years in the White House.

As of press time, the president secured 303 projected electoral votes, 97 more than Mitt Romney's 206 projected electoral votes.

During his concession speech, Romney thanked his supporters and urged bipartisanship.

"This is a time for great challengers for America, and I pray the president will be successful in guiding our nation," Romney said. "The nation is at a critical point, at a time like this we cannot risk partisan bickering. Our leaders need to reach across the aisle to do the people's work."

In Chicago, President Obama addressed an enthusiastic crowd, thanking them for support and promising to reduce the deficit, reform the tax code, fix the immigration system and free the U.S. of foreign Oil.

"Tonight, in this election, the American people reminded us that while our road has been hard and our journey has been long, we have picked ourselves up and we have fought our way back," Obama said. "In the weeks ahead, I look forward to sitting down with Gov. Romney to talk about what we can do to work together."

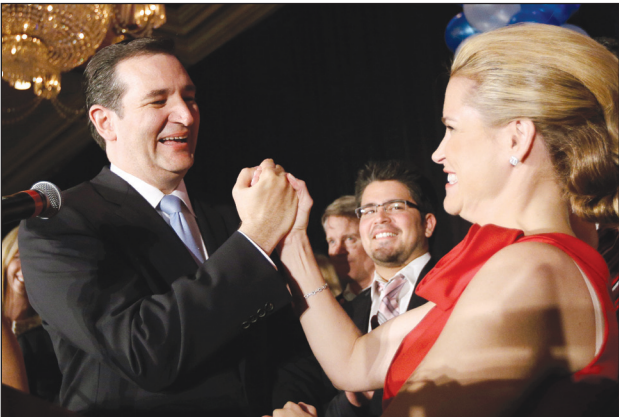
In his speech, Obama briefly referenced public education, new technologies, global warming, social equalities, the military and unemployment.

"I am returning to the White House more determined and more inspired than ever about the work there is to do and the future that lies ahead," Obama said. "In the upcoming months, I am looking forward to working with leaders from both parties."

An Oct. 29 University of Texas/Texas Tribune Poll showed that Romney held a clear lead in Texas. The survey showed 55 percent of voters supported Romney while 39 percent of voters supported Obama. In Travis County, Obama won with 60 percent of the vote compared to Romney's 37 percent. In 2008, Obama won Travis County with 64 percent. Texas has not voted for a Democratic candidate for president since 1976.

As a whole, Texas voted more conservatively this election. In 2008, John McCain won the southern state with 54 percent of the

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David J. Phillip | Associated Press

Republican candidate for U.S. Senate Ted Cruz and his wife Heidi celebrate during a victory speech Tuesday in Houston.

Cruz's conservatism wins Senate seat

By Lazaro Hernandez

Republican U.S. Senate candidate Ted Cruz scored an unsurprising victory over Democrat Paul Sadler, becoming the first Hispanic to represent Texas in the Senate.

Cruz, a self-described "constitutional conservative" backed by the Tea Party, was a strong favor-

ite to win the Senate seat throughout the race. A poll from the University of Texas and The Texas Tribune released last month showed Cruz with a 16-point lead over Sadler, 55 percent to 39 percent. Texas has not elected a Democrat to statewide office since 1994.

The race between Cruz and Sadler, a former state legislator and attorney,

was relatively quiet in the months leading up to the election in comparison to the heated Republican primaries earlier this year. During the race, Sadler raised nearly \$359,000 between July and September, a low figure compared to the \$3.5 million Cruz raised.

Cruz will take over the

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OPINION

We asked UT students: Does it matter who won?



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Three incumbents, Donna Campbell (R) elected to Texas Senate.



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Texas House incumbents win re-election



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City Council moves voting dates to November



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Austin diversifies city representation in council

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TOMORROW'S WEATHER

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Chris O'Meara | Associated Press

In this Sept. 26, 2012, file photo a "sold" sign sits out in front of a home in Riverview, Fla. A measure of U.S. home prices jumped 5 percent in September compared with a year ago, the largest year-over-year increase since July 2006. The gain reported by CoreLogic offered more evidence of a sustainable housing recovery.

Measures hint at housing recovery

By Christopher S. Rugaber

WASHINGTON — A measure of U.S. home prices jumped 5 percent in September compared with a year ago, the largest year-over-year increase since July 2006. The gain reported by CoreLogic offered more evidence of a sustainable housing recovery.

The real estate data provider also said Tuesday that prices declined 0.3 percent in September from August, the first drop after six straight increases. The monthly figures are not seasonally adjusted. CoreLogic says the monthly decline reflects the end of the summer home-buying season and not a softening in the housing recovery.

Steady price increases should give the housing market more momentum when

home sales pick up in the spring. Rising prices encourage more homeowners to sell their homes and entice would-be buyers to purchase homes before prices rise further.

Other measures have also shown healthy gains in home prices over the past year. The Standard & Poor's/Case Shiller 20-city index rose 2 percent in August compared with a year ago, a faster pace than the previous month.

The price gains in the past year reported by CoreLogic were widespread. Prices have risen in all but seven states. And they declined in only 18 out of 100 large cities that are tracked by the index.

Some of the biggest increases were in states that suffered the worst from the housing bust. Home prices in Arizona jumped 18.7 percent in the past year, the most

of any state. Home prices in Idaho rose 13.1 percent, the second largest. Nevada's home values rose 11 percent.

Home prices jumped 22.1 percent in Phoenix, the metro area with the biggest gain. Prices in Houston rose 6.6 percent, the second-highest increase.

The states with the biggest drops were Rhode Island (3.5 percent) and Illinois (2.3 percent).

CoreLogic's price index is based on repeat sales of the same homes and tracks their price changes over time.

Several reports last month showed that the housing market is improving, though from depressed levels.

Home builders started construction on new homes and apartments at the fastest pace in more than four

years in September. They also requested the most building permits in four years, a sign that many are confident that home sales gains will continue.

New home sales jumped last month to the highest annual pace in the past two and a half years. Sales of previously occupied homes dipped in September but have risen steadily in the past year.

Sales of both new and previously occupied homes are still below levels that are consistent with a healthy housing market. That's partly because the supply of available homes for sale remains low. And many prospective home buyers are struggling to qualify for a mortgage or scrape together the bigger down payments that many banks are requiring.

UNIVERSITY

Latinos share experiences in archived recordings

By Christine Ayala

UT's Nettie Lee Benson Latin American Collection is archiving more than 2,000 Latino oral histories in partnership with StoryCorps, a nonprofit organization that records interviews with Americans of all backgrounds.

The collection, part of UT Libraries, will house and maintain the files of the StoryCorps Historias initiative featuring Latino subjects, interviewed by friends or family, sharing their experiences in recordings lasting about 30 minutes.

StoryCorps has recorded more than 40,000 stories since it began in 2003 and has been featured on National Public Radio's "Morning Edition." StoryCorps recorded Historias interviews on campus in the spring that are now being archived on campus.

Christian Kelleher, the assistant head librarian and archivist for the collection, said Historias will provide researchers and students on campus an in-depth archive of materials from Latinos willing to tell their stories.

"StoryCorps' experience building the Historias collection depended on community engagement and community partnerships," Kelleher said. "They saw a great partner in the Benson Collection, with not only the technical capability to catalog and preserve this large archive but also a tradition of engaging students, scholars, educators and activists. By working together, we are able to do more than either of us individually."

Associate journalism professor Maggie Rivas-Rodriguez said UT also assisted StoryCorps by helping draft interview questions focusing on the Latino experience.

"It's more of a conversation you would have over the kitchen table," Rivas-Rodriguez said. "They're not life-encompassing. They're really looking at something that was especially significant to the person being interviewed. It's an archive of conversations that may shed some light on the nature of relationships, revealing things they may not have revealed before. Every interview is very different."

Assistant history professor John McKiernan-Gonzalez said oral histories allow everyday people to be heard rather than big historical moments. He said StoryCorps gives a personal view to the events that the subjects discuss.

"The StoryCorps interviews are usually two people talking about past events together, and it has a familial, friendly complexity to the collection that you wouldn't have with an interviewer that doesn't know the person," McKiernan-Gonzalez said. "It allows people to talk more comfortably and intimately."

Kelleher said part of the collection's work will include developing policies to protect the privacy of interview subjects and creating tools to make access to the material simple for researchers. The Historias recordings will be available to the public in the spring.

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Democrats maintain control of Senate

WASHINGTON — Democrats won a narrow majority in the Senate on Tuesday, snatching Republican-held seats in Massachusetts and Indiana and turning back fierce, expensive challenges in Virginia, Ohio and Connecticut to maintain the control they've held since 2007.

With a third of the Senate up for election, Republicans were undone by candidate stumbles, with GOP hopefuls in Missouri and Indiana uttering clumsy statements about rape and abortion that did severe damage to their chances and the party's hopes of taking over. The losses of Senate seats in Massachusetts and Indiana, combined with independent Angus King's victory in the Republican-held Maine seat, put the GOP too far down in their already uphill climb.

Gay marriage legal in Maine election

Maine residents have approved same-sex marriage, giving the gay rights movement a breakthrough victory.

Gay marriage is legal in six states and Washington, D.C., but those laws were either enacted by lawmakers or through court rulings. In popular votes, more than 30 states had previously held elections on same-sex marriage, with all losing.

Maine, Maryland and Washington state were holding up-or-down votes Tuesday on legalizing gay marriage. Minnesota was voting on a proposal to ban gay marriage in the state constitution.

John Boehner: voters for tax reductions

WASHINGTON — Speaker John Boehner says that by keeping Republicans in control of the House, voters made clear there's no mandate for raising tax rates.

Boehner, however, offered to work with any willing partner, Republican or Democrat, to get things done.

Speaking to Republican supporters, Boehner's statement Tuesday night offered no compromise on GOP opposition to President Barack Obama's call for increasing tax rates for wealthy Americans.

Boehner said the American people showed they backed the GOP position on reducing spending by renewing the party's House majority.

He said that in the face of a staggering national debt, Republicans offered solutions while their opponents chose inaction.

The speaker said the government spends too much, taxes too much and borrows too much.

Gay marriage in Spain upheld by High Court

MADRID — Spain's Constitutional Court upheld the legality of the country's gay marriage law on Tuesday, rejecting an appeal contending that marriage in the Spanish constitution means only the union of a man and woman.

The county's top court voted 8-3 to dismiss the appeal of the conservative Popular Party filed shortly after Spain became the world's third country to approve gay marriage.

Spain's Parliament passed the gay marriage law in 2005 when it was Socialist-controlled, with Popular Party deputies opposed. The Popular Party took power late last year after the Socialists were ousted over their handling of the economy.

The gay marriage law angered the predominant Roman Catholic Church but opinion surveys showed most Spaniards backed it. Belgium and the Netherlands approved gay marriage laws before Spain.

More than 22,000 gay marriages have taken place in Spain.

— Compiled from Associated Press reports

Envoy warns Syria could mirror Somalia

By Zeina Karam
Associated Press

BEIRUT — The U.N.-Arab League envoy for Syria warned Tuesday that the country could become another Somalia — where al-Qaida-linked militants and warlords battled for decades after the ouster of a dictator — if the civil war is not ended soon.

Battles between regime forces and Syrian rebels left more than 140 people dead across Syria on Tuesday, while the brother of Syria's parliament speaker was gunned down in Damascus — the latest victim of a wave of assassinations targeting high-ranking supporters of President Bashar Assad's regime.

Among the dead were at least 13 people who died in a series of explosions in the capital Damascus, targeting impoverished districts of the capital. Dozens others were wounded, activists said.

The violence aroused new concern about the faltering diplomatic efforts to try to end the conflict, with the U.N. political chief warning that the Syria crisis risks "exploding outward" into Lebanon, Turkey and Israel.

Britain's prime minister offered the latest long shot — that Assad could be allowed safe passage out of the country if that would guarantee an end to the fighting.

But there has been no sign the embattled Syrian leader is willing to step down as part of a peaceful transition to save the country. Assad has vowed to militarily crush the nearly 20-month old rebellion against his rule, and aides say a new president will only be chosen in elections scheduled for 2014.



Narciso Contreras | Associated Press

A rebel fighter aims a shoulder-fired missile toward a building where Syrian troops loyal to President Bashar Assad are hiding while they attempt to gain terrain against the rebels during heavy clashes in the Jedida district of Aleppo, Syria on Sunday.

Somalia has been mired in conflict for more than two decades after warlords overthrew the east African nation's longtime dictator in 1991 and then turned on each other. The government, backed by African Union troops, is currently battling Islamist extremist rebels linked to al-Qaida.

Syria, by comparison, has always had a strong central government, and despite losing large swathes of territory, the regime still maintains a grip on many parts of the country, including Damascus, the seat of Assad's power, where basic government services still function.

But if the regime collapses, the country could fast shatter

along multiple fault lines, leading to protracted bloodshed.

The predominantly Sunni nation is a patchwork of religious and ethnic groups. The regime is led by Assad's Alawite minority, an offshoot of Shiite Islam, but there are also considerable Kurdish and Christian populations.

Dozens of opposition groups and rebel brigades have taken up the fight against Assad. But they share little common vision for the future and are divided by acute ideological differences, particularly among secularists and Islamists, and could easily turn on one another after Assad's fall.

There are also growing concerns over the injection of al-Qaida's influence into the country's civil war. Jabhat al-Nusra, a shadowy jihadi group with an al-Qaida-style ideology, has carried out numerous suicide bombings targeting regime and military facilities.

The U.S. and its Western allies have been reluctant to provide weapons to rebels fighting in Syria partly out of concern they could fall into the hands of extremists.

On Tuesday, more than 140 people were killed in violence across the country, activists said, including in a series of airstrikes on rebel strongholds in the suburbs of Damascus. Among the dead were at least 13 people who died when three bombs

exploded in the al-Wuroud district on the capital's northwestern edge, populated by members of Assad's Alawite sect. The blasts occurred near housing for the elite Republican Guard, which is led by Assad's brother Maher Assad.

A few hours later, a powerful car bomb exploded in a Sunni Muslim neighborhood of the capital, causing multiple casualties and massive destruction to nearby buildings, activists said. No further details were immediately available on casualties from the bomb in al-Qadam district, which was detonated near a mosque around 1 a.m. local time Wednesday.



Ricardo Arduengo | Associated Press

People ride atop a vehicle waving a Puerto Rican flag during elections in San Juan, Puerto Rico, Tuesday.

Puerto Ricans vote on governor, U.S. ties

By Danica Coto
Associated Press

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Puerto Ricans faced a fundamental question on Election Day: Should they change their ties with the United States?

Citizens in the U.S. island territory cannot vote in the U.S. presidential election, but many were excited to participate in a referendum on whether to push the territory toward statehood, greater autonomy or independence.

Car horns blared and party flags waved after polling stations closed following what election officials said was a high voter turnout.

The two-part referendum first asked voters if they wanted to change Puerto Rico's 114-year relationship with the United States. A second question gave voters three alternatives if they wanted a change: become a U.S. state, gain independence, or have a "sovereign free association," a designation that would give more autonomy for the territory of 4 million people.

With 243 of 1,643 precincts reporting late Tuesday, 75,188 voters, or 53 percent, said they did not want to continue under the current political status. Forty-seven percent, or 67,304 voters, supported the status quo.

On the second question, 65 percent favored statehood, followed by 31 percent for sovereign free association and 4 percent for independence. "Puerto Rico's problem is not its political status," 42-year-old Ramon Lopez said. "I think that the United States is the best country in the world, but I am Puerto Rican first."

Both President Barack Obama and rival Mitt Romney said they supported the referendum, with Obama pledging to respect the will of the people if there was a clear majority. Any change would require approval by the U.S. Congress.

Puerto Rico held non-binding referendums in 1967, 1993 and 1998, with statehood never garnering a clear majority and independence never obtaining more than 5 percent of the vote.

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We Asked: Does it matter who won?

Editor's note: Between 5 and 6 p.m. last night, one hour before polls closed, we asked students walking around campus if they believe their vote counts and what they plan to do if their candidate lost.

Brina Bui, Plan II and biology sophomore from Houston
Did you vote? No.
Do you have a preferred candidate? You know, I'm not really sure, I feel like I don't know enough about each of the candidates to make an informed decision.
Does it matter who wins? Yeah, absolutely, well, I guess if I did pick a candidate it'd probably be like Romney, but I don't know if it's because that was the environment I grew up in or that's because I legitimately want him to win, but I think that choosing who's president is extremely important. I just haven't done enough research, which is totally my fault.
What will you do if Romney loses? Nothing (*laughs*), live my life.

Harnavneet Kaur, Business Economics senior from Bastrop
Did you vote? I did not.
Do you have a preferred candidate? Not really, I guess, (*pauses*) Obama.
What will you do if Obama loses? Let's see, at that point there's nothing we can do, right? I mean, at that point whoever wins is the winner, but hopefully next time when we have presidential elections again, I will vote for my candidate so I know that, I make sure they win, it's

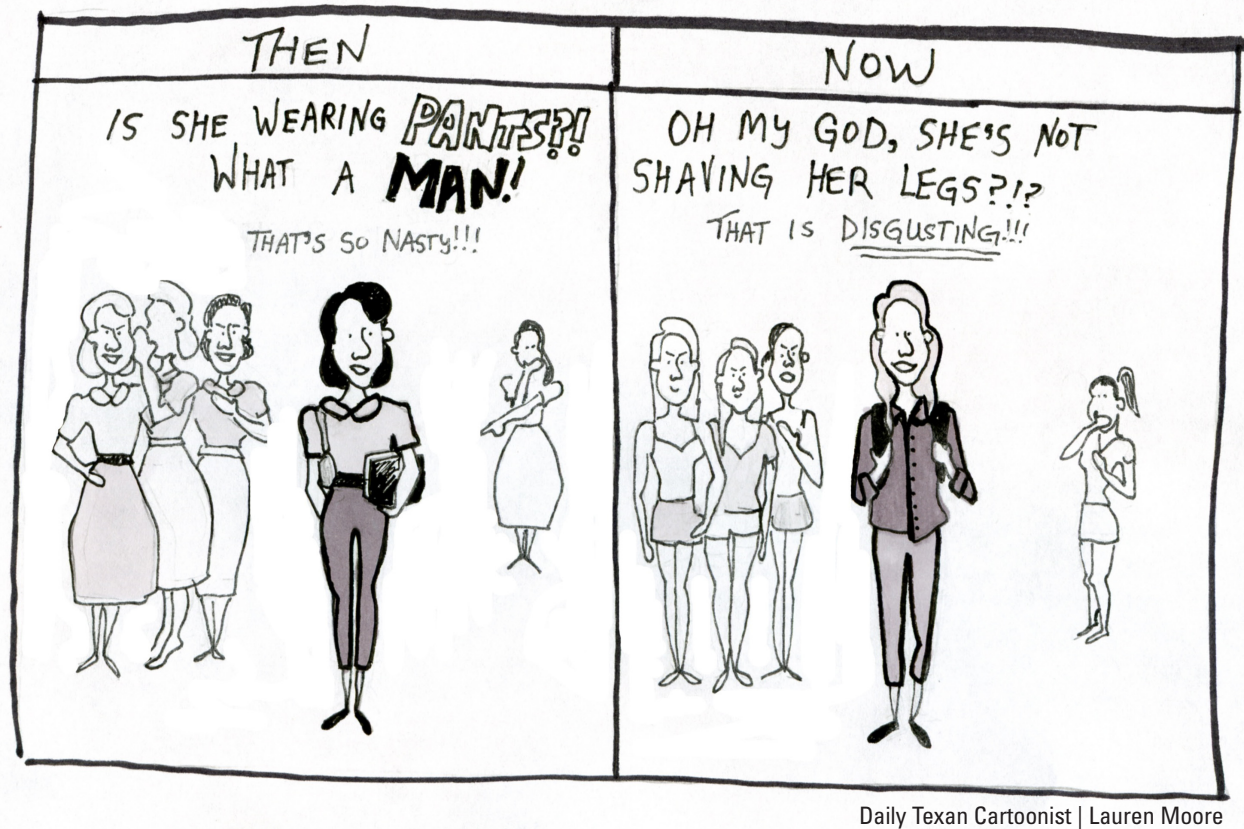
like I made a change, I voted.
Does it matter who wins? I mean, I think it does. I haven't been keeping up with what their points of view are, but I think they are pretty different. I don't know what their views are on abortion, but I know for sure Obama's views on abortion, I agree with that. The other candidate, I have no idea about him, so I wouldn't say anything about him.

Chris Stevens, English senior from Galveston
Did you vote? No, I didn't.
Do you have a preferred candidate? I do.
If your preferred candidate loses, what will you do? My preferred candidate is pretty much guaranteed to lose. I support a third party and not one of the two major parties. As for what I'm going to do, hope that people are going to take the initiative to seek out other ideologies that more accurately line up with their own personal ideologies and politics. I'll support them monetarily like I have or I'll support them by voting for them, although it's kind of a throw-away vote, it's kind of lining up ideologically with what they believe, as opposed to voting for the two parties, which really aren't that different.
Does it matter who wins? For white males, probably not, for minorities, they probably want Obama to win. I personally would like Obama to win over Romney, he's the lesser of two evils, however morally I'm opposed to voting for the lesser of two evils, because it's still evil.

Noah Ledbetter, Mathematics sophomore from Austin
Did you vote? I did not.
Do you have a preferred candidate? It's not one of the big two. I would say Gary Johnson, the libertarian person, is who I would prefer.
So if your candidate, in this case, Gary Johnson loses, what will you do? Literally nothing because there's not a chance of him winning.
Does it matter who wins? Not really, it's kind of, I didn't vote this time as a mistake — I just kind of ran out of time, and I have a class in fifteen minutes — but I vote libertarian so it changes other political parties views on things. They realize more and more of their votes are switching to third parties, so they have to change their platform to include views I care about. So I don't really care what this president does, it's not really going to affect me, but that's not what I mean to say, it's not going to ... never mind.

Gabrielle Devilla, Communication sciences and disorders junior from Manila, Philippines
Did you vote? I did not vote. I can't because I'm not a U.S. citizen, but if I were, I would.
What will you do if your preferred candidate loses? I'd be disappointed in the choices that America made; however, I can't really do anything about it. So, just roll with the punches, I guess.
Does it matter who wins? I think so. Obviously people vote for whoever they want to win, for whose beliefs they agree with. So I think it definitely matters who wins.

GALLERY



Daily Texan Cartoonist | Lauren Moore

FIRING LINE

Two sides to town hall

In response to "Town meeting hosts candidates' views," which ran on Nov. 5, 2012.
I believe that you are trying to sensationalize a very small, inconsequential incident in an afternoon of discussions. I was equally offended by candidate Rostig's continual misuse of the word "socialism" to describe various Democratic programs that he did not like, such as Obamacare. In fact, I too responded to candidate Rostig on two separate occasions, prior to Judge Henson's comments. Perhaps Rostig is calling her out, and you seem to be playing along because she is a sitting judge.
It would have been nice if you could have at least published the names of the other participants in the town hall event to show some interest in providing the civic service traditionally provided by newspapers from their inception, namely, to educate the citizenry about the issues and candidates. Instead, you focused on a rebuttal without covering the issues involved.
Of course, in today's world I have often heard that any publicity is good publicity, so perhaps I am just jealous. I fear we live in a cynical world. I hope The Daily Texan will embrace the traditions of old and report the four W's. Jazz it up if you must, but please cover all four W's and give us a bit more background. You know how we politicians just love free publicity.

— Chris Frandsen
Candidate, District 47
Texas House of Representatives

FIRING LINE

Grant reductions, a reality

In response to "TEXAS Grants to possibly endure reductions and stricter requirements," which ran on Nov. 4, 2012.
Texas faces a financial aid challenge with no easy answers. The number of TEXAS Grant-eligible students has increased 88 percent over the last five years. Funding for the TEXAS Grant was reduced by 10 percent last legislative session. And Texas will need to invest \$1.4 billion in the TEXAS Grant program to fund all eligible students over the next two years — almost three times current funding levels. Nobody finds our current dilemma acceptable — not the THECB, not UT-Austin administrators and especially not students and parents. But it is the reality we face nonetheless.
The THECB's responsibility is to identify statewide policy that best serves the greatest number of students at the greatest number of institutions. Our TEXAS Grant proposal is firmly rooted in a shared responsibility model where the federal government, state government, institutions and students/parents have an important role to play. In fiscal year 2011, UT-Austin disbursed \$38 million in grant aid generated by tuition revenue, \$49 million in federal Pell grants and \$33 million in TEXAS Grants. The THECB proposal will ask UT-Austin to continue creatively leveraging all these resources to cover total academic charges, including books, for the students with the greatest need.
Under the THECB's proposal, we predict that on a statewide average basis we can meet charges for tuition, fees and books, for up to 95 percent of all eligible university students. Without this proposal, even assuming the state accepts the THECB request for \$127 million in additional funding, 7 in 10 financially needy university students will lack adequate resources to pay for college. Given these facts, the surest way to undermine our commitment to financially needy students is to do nothing.
We are committed to working with UT-Austin to secure more funding for the TEXAS Grant program. But even under the most optimistic scenarios, it will not be enough, and the challenge only escalates every year that passes.

— Dominic M. Chavez
Senior Director
Office of External Relations
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Iranian nuclear threat is real

Tori Maidenberg

Guest Columnist

Ask UT students what they think about nuclear weapons and you're likely to get answers referencing the Cold War and American history class. But the threat nuclear weapons pose should be an immediate concern. The Iranian nuclear program, in particular, should be the topic of a national discussion.
Iran's first nuclear program began in the 1960s, but it made little progress and was abandoned after the revolution in 1979. In the mid-1990s, Iran began constructing facilities for a new nuclear energy program, and by 2005, Iran was enriching uranium. Currently, Iran operates 10,000 centrifuges, devices that separate the isotope uranium-235 from uranium-238, the former of which is needed to make a nuclear bomb.
In the Aug. 30th International Atomic Energy Agency report on Iran's nuclear program, Iran declared 16 nuclear facilities and nine locations outside these facilities where nuclear material is regularly used. Low-grade uranium is used in research reactors, but uranium enriched above 20 percent can be used for the construction of weapons. Three months before the August report, another IAEA inspection discovered 27 percent-enriched uranium at the Fordow Fuel Enrichment Plant in Qum, Iran.
Erich Schneider, associate professor of nuclear and radiation engineering at UT, puts these findings in perspective: "From an engineering point of view, if you're only designing your enrichment plant to go up to 20 percent uranium, the odds of finding a measurable collection of uranium atoms all clumped together that are 27 percent enriched is astronomical ... you can't accidentally produce stuff that's

7 percent more than what you were intending." When asked if Iran could easily go undetected in producing a nuclear weapon, Schneider said, "If we can collect samples then it's easy to detect. What happened was they slipped up and we were able to get a sample of what they didn't want us to see, which, in my mind, is definitive proof they're going over 20 percent."
The U.S. State Department considers Iran the world's most active state sponsor of terrorism as it consistently provides funding, weapons, training and sanctuary to numerous terrorist groups throughout the region.
According to Alan Kuperman, coordinator of the Nuclear Proliferation Prevention Project and professor in the LBJ School of Public Policy, "Iran would be the first country with clear formal ties to international terrorism to acquire nuclear weapons." One of the many consequences of Iran attaining nuclear weapons is that the country would then be in a position to transfer them to its terrorist allies.
Another cause for concern is the political leverage Iran would gain in the region. "Everyone should sleep less with a nuclear-capable Iran, because their leadership has shown time and time again that they are unpredictable — they make threats against other sovereign nations — I wouldn't trust a country like Iran to be a responsible steward of a technology like this," Schneider said.
Currently, the Obama administration is taking the diplomatic route, applying biting sanctions and offering bilateral negotiations. In the third and last presidential debate on foreign policy, Obama said, "We have put in the toughest, most crippling sanctions ever ... their currency has dropped 80 percent, their oil produc-

tion has plunged to the lowest level since they were fighting Iraq 20 years ago." But while Iran is feeling the effects of these sanctions, they have not yet surrendered their nuclear program. In fact, they have nearly completed an underground nuclear enrichment plant, having added an additional 3,000 centrifuges to the Fordow plant.
Mark Fitzpatrick, a former State Department official who now studies the Iranian nuclear program at the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London, said, "When slapped with new sanctions, Iran typically likes to pick up the pace of its enrichment work to try to show that it can't be pressured into submission." Fordow is designed to enrich medium-grade uranium that is near the threshold needed for a nuclear weapon. American officials worry that, in the near future, this fuel could be converted for use in a bomb.
While views on how to respond to a nuclear Iran and which path is the right one for American policy to take still vary greatly, our professors believe that UT students need to raise their voices and let U.S. officials know that they are conscientious of the need to prevent the emergence of an Iran armed with nuclear weapons. Steven Biegalski, director of the Nuclear Engineering Teaching Lab at UT, put it this way: "Students need to remain knowledgeable on nuclear matters and international policy and how [a nuclear Iran would] affect them." He stated the importance of voicing our "input within the U.S. political process to influence how the U.S. will interact with Iran and react to Iran." As students, we have the capacity to effect meaningful change. Not long from now, the window to do so will likely close.
Maidenberg is a Plan II sophomore

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ELECTION RESULTS

Railroad Commissioner	
Christi Craddick (R)	57.43%
Dale Henry (D)	38.55%
83% precincts reporting	

Supreme Court, Place 2	
Don Willet* (R)	79.75%
RS Roberto Koelsch (L)	20.24%
83% precincts reporting	

Supreme Court, Place 4	
John Devine (R)	76.10%
Tom Oxford (L)	16.13%
Charles E. Waterbury (G)	7.76%
83% precincts reporting	

Supreme Court, Place 6	
Nathan Hecht* (R)	54.71%
Michele Petty (D)	41%
85% precincts reporting	

SBOE, District 5	
Ken Mercer (R)	51.32%
Rebecca Bell-Metereau (D)	42.60%
96% precincts reporting	

SBOE, District 10	
Tom Maynard (R)	56.63%
Judy Jennings (D)	43.36%
79% precincts reporting	

County Tax Assessor	
Vik Vad (R)	34.50%
Bruce Elfant (D)	58.60%

City of Austin, Prop. 5	
For	56.33%
Against	43.67%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 6	
For	49.53%
Against	50.47%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 7	
For	54.55%
Against	45.45%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 8	
For	30.54%
Against	69.46%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 9	
For	64.93%
Against	36.07%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 10	
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For	69.66%
Against	30.34%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 12	
For	55.13%
Against	44.87%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 13	
For	56.05%
Against	43.95%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 14	
For	59.26%
Against	40.74%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 15	
For	48.73%
Against	51.27%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 16	
For	55.27%
Against	44.73%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 17	
For	59.76%
Against	40.24%
92% precincts reporting	

City of Austin, Prop. 18	
For	60.47%
Against	39.53%
92% precincts reporting	

*denotes incumbent

Doggett, Castro win seats in Congress

By David Maly

Educational advocates Lloyd Doggett and Joaquin Castro will represent Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives, where they plan to push for pro-education reform.

Democratic candidate Lloyd Doggett defeated his three opponents for the position of U.S. Representative in Central Texas District 35, gaining 64 percent of the vote. This will be his 10th term in office. Doggett is a UT alumnus and former student body president. He is working to boost federal support for education while in office, calling for a permanent extension of a \$2,500 tax cut for students pursuing a post-secondary education.

Democratic candidate Joaquin Castro defeated his three opponents for the position of U.S. Representative in District 20, which is mainly in the western San Antonio area, with 64 percent of the vote. Castro is currently serving his fifth term as state representative for District 125, which is mainly in the northwestern San Antonio area.

He won the seat Democrat Charles Gonzalez is vacating, putting an end to nearly 40 years of district representation by



Bob Daemmrich | The Texas Tribune

In this August 27, 2011 file photo, U.S. Congressman Lloyd Doggett (D) addresses Austinites at a community event. Doggett will be representing a new congressional district after winning Tuesday's election.

Gonzalez's family.

Castro has been called a "rising star" by the Democratic Party and has worked to restore millions of dollars in funding to health care and educational programs, advocating an "Infrastructure of Opportunity," defined on

his website as "good public schools, great universities and a sound health care system ... that enables Americans to pursue their American Dream."

Doggett said Tuesday night that he looks forward to partnering with Castro and San Antonio

officials to "advance what's already an outstanding community."

Castro said on his website that he would like to give others the same opportunities he has had.

Doggett has also advocated tax, social security and health care reform to

positively affect the middle and lower classes.

Castro has focused other political efforts on the areas of mental health, teen pregnancy and juvenile justice.

Both candidates plan to continue their past initiatives as the new legislative session begins.

Texas Senate political makeup to remain same

By David Maly

In the race for State Senate, Donna Campbell, Kirk Watson, Judith Zaffirini and Troy Fraser will be representing their respective districts in the State Senate for the next four years.

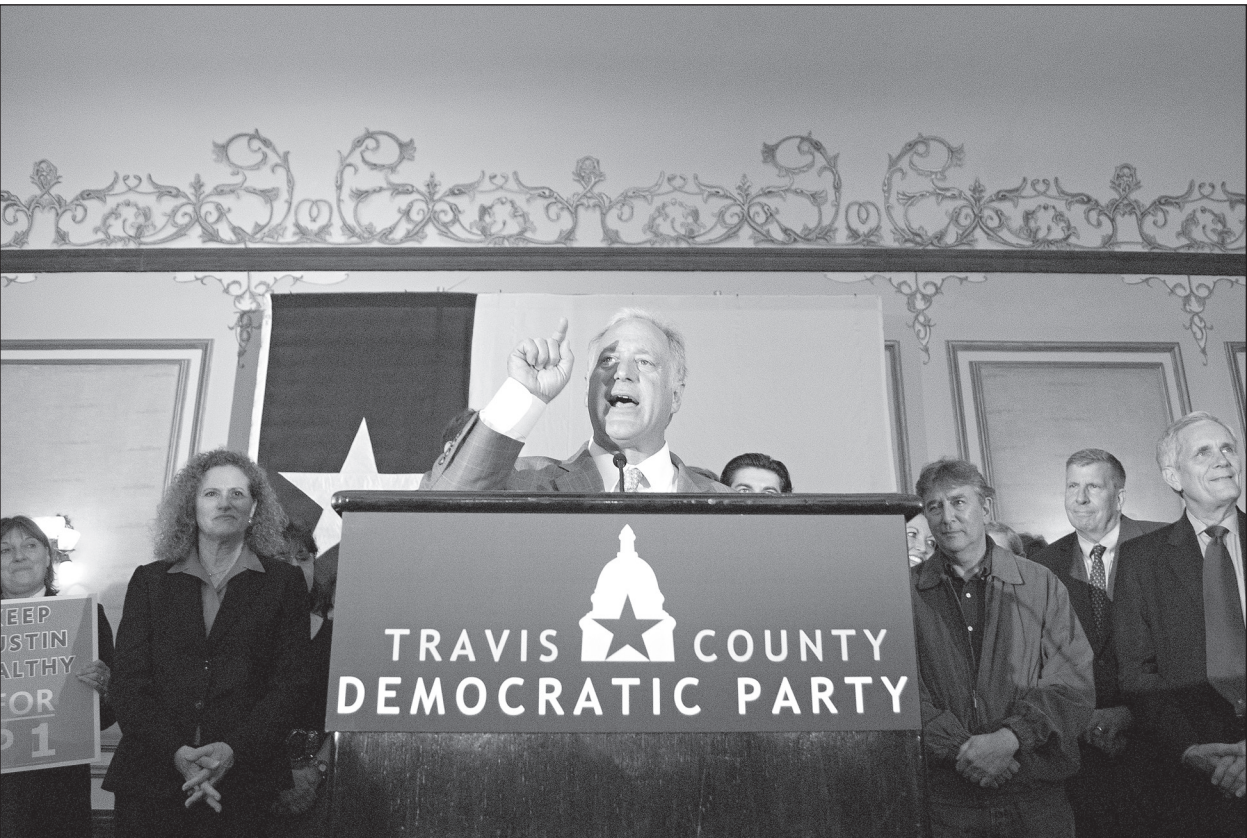
These candidates were all incumbents except for Republican candidate Donna Campbell. Campbell defeated her opponent, Democratic candidate John Courage, with 66 percent of the vote in District 25. Campbell defeated incumbent Senator Jeff Wentworth for the GOP nomination in a run-off election earlier this year, ending his seven terms in the Texas Senate.

The political makeup of the State Senate remains at 19 Republicans and 12 Democrats with this year's election results.

According to Campbell's website, she has served as medical director for several hospitals, including the third largest emergency medicine group in the country.

She has endorsed conservative ideals and has promised to take a new approach to the position.

"Career politicians have failed to address the challenges facing Texas, kicking the can further down



Emily Ng | Daily Texan Staff

Texas state senator Kirk Watson gives his victory speech at the Driskill Hotel Tuesday. Watson, D-Austin, was re-elected to his position in the Senate over Libertarian candidate Ryan Dixon.

the road," Campbell said on her campaign site. "Enough is enough. As a conservative and your citizen representative, I will fight to promote the values we share as freedom-loving Texans so that families and small businesses have a voice again in our government."

Democratic incumbent Kirk Watson defeated his opponent, Libertarian candidate Ryan Dixon, with 80 percent of the vote in District 14. Watson has been a strong proponent of a UT Medical School, endorsing Proposition 1, a county-wide ballot initiative to help fund the

hospital with a property tax increase. Proposition 1 passed with 55 percent of the vote.

Watson and Zaffirini will serve on the State Senate Committee on Higher Education in the 83rd legislature.

Democratic incumbent Judith Zaffirini defeated her two opponents in District

21, winning 68 percent of the vote. This will be Zaffirini's seventh term in office. Zaffirini's son, Carlos, recently created a scholarship at the University in her name.

In District 24, Republican candidate Troy Fraser ran unopposed and won with 100 percent of the vote.

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chase medical services there.

State Sen. Kirk Watson, D-Austin, said the proposed medical school would improve health care services in Travis County and provide a growing base of resident physicians who graduate from the school.

"People understood that this would benefit them and their families and their neighbors," Watson said.

For the past six years, Watson has coordinated with the University and other local governmental bodies to bring the medical school and teaching hospital to Austin. Establishing the school and hospital are two components of Watson's "10 Goals in 10 Years" plan.

In a statement, UT President William Powers Jr. said the University aims to complete the medical school

and teaching hospital by 2015. Powers said he and Steven Leslie, UT executive vice president and provost, will now appoint a committee of faculty members and health care officials to help recruit a dean and choose a location for the school.

"Now that the vote is over, the hard work of building a medical school begins," Powers said.

However, the proposition will not take effect until a U.S. district court conducts a hearing regarding the legality of the proposition's ballot language. Travis County Taxpayers Union, a political action committee that opposes Proposition 1, sued Central Health, alleging that the proposition's ballot language violates the U.S. Voting Rights Act of 1965 by misleading voters and ex-

pressing advocacy for the proposition. A hearing is tentatively scheduled for Nov. 14.

Don Zimmerman, founder and treasurer of Travis County Taxpayers Union, said his organization will continue fighting the proposition through the lawsuit.

"I'm like a guy fighting at the Alamo, except I don't die," Zimmerman said. "I do what's right no matter what the odds are."

In May the UT System Board of Regents pledged \$30 million a year for eight years and \$25 million per year after that for the medical school. The Seton Healthcare Family pledged \$250 million toward the teaching hospital in April.

The proposed medical school would join six UT health institutions located

DAVID BOTT
PUBLIC RELATIONS SENIOR

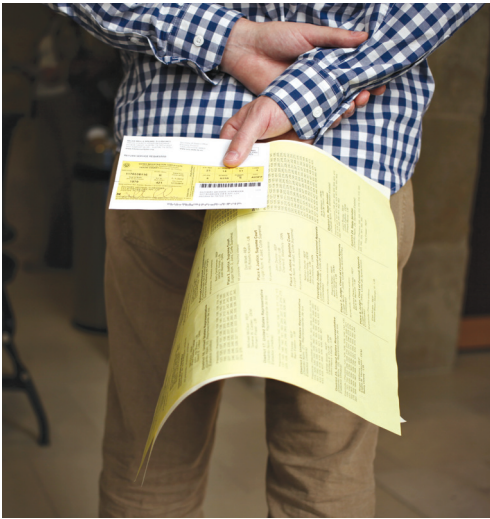
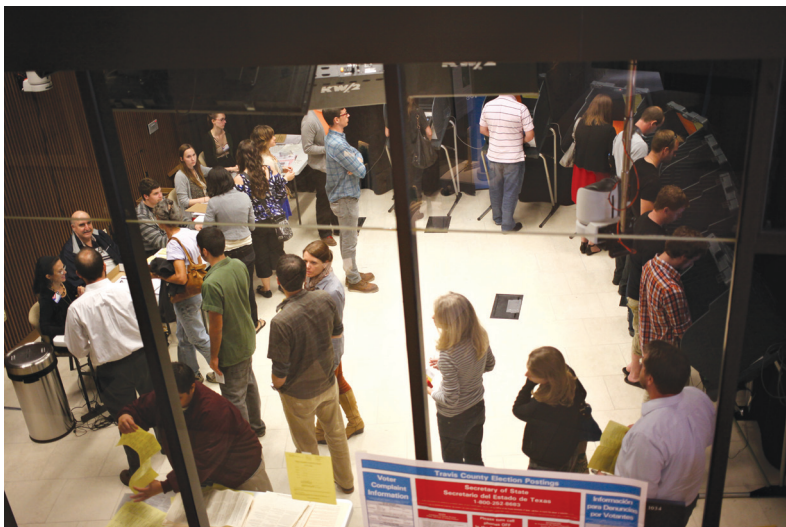
"Prop. 1 was my one government spending thing that I am OK with. The increase in property tax is not extremely high."

MATHEW RENOVATO
UNDECLARED FRESHMAN

"It's definitely a good thing for the University. Having a medical school is important that we expand in the medical field and will make UT that much better."

in Dallas, Houston, Tyler, San Antonio and Galveston, some of which partner with

local hospitals funded partially by property taxes in their areas.



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THE VOTES ARE IN

Republicans retain seats in Texas House, incumbents re-elected

By Alexa Ura

The Texas House of Representatives gained seven Democrats, increasing the number of Democratic seats to 55. Republicans will continue to make up the majority of the House with 95 seats.

Democrats won seven districts previously held by Republicans representatives. Going into the election, Republicans held an overwhelming majority in the House with 102 representatives, while Democrats held 48 seats.

Higher education is expected to play a large part in upcoming legislation as changes to state allocations of university budgets and cuts to financial aid programs have been much discussed during the interim session.

The House Higher Education Committee will not face a member shake-up as all eight of its nine members who were up for re-election will return to the House in January. Committee chairman Rep. Dan Branch, R-Dallas, was re-elected to his fifth term as representative for District 108 with 81.1 percent of the vote.

Branch continually pushes for higher education reform. He authored House Bill 51 in 2009, creating the Tier One Initiative to promote Tier One universities in Texas. While the term has no concrete definition, Tier One identifies significant research institutions.

Branch also helped pass legislation, capping UT's admission under the Top 10 Percent rule to 75 percent of in-state students for each incoming class. Branch serves as co-chairman of the Joint Oversight Committee of Higher Education Governance, Excellence and Transparency.

The makeup of the higher education committee is more balanced and was previously made up of five Republicans and four Democrats.

Rep. Donna Howard, D-Austin, beat Republican candidate Robert Thomas for House District 48 with 59 percent despite recent redistricting that changed the district's makeup.

In 2010, Howard won reelection by just four votes. She was first elected to the House in 2006.

Howard is a friend of higher education and supports restoring funds to financial assistance programs such as TEXAS Grants, the state's primary need-based financial aid program for in-state college students.

Last week, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board recommended cuts to individual TEXAS Grants to increase the total number of students who receive the award.

Reps. John Raney, R-Huntsville; and Diane Patrick, R-Arlington, defeated their opponents and were re-elected with 61.4 percent and 83.6 percent of the vote, respectively.

Reps. Eric Johnson, D-Dallas; Roberto Alonzo, D-Dallas; Tryon Lewis, R-Odessa; and Dennis Bonnen, R-Angleton, ran unopposed.

The committee could see one new face during the upcoming legislative session with the retirement of Rep. Joaquin Castro, D-San Antonio, who was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives for District 20. Castro, a champion of affordability and access to higher education, served as a state representative for five terms.

Speaker of the House Rep. Joe Straus, R-San Antonio, will have to appoint a new member to the Higher Education Committee. Straus announced appointments in February 2011 after the last election in 2010.

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votes, with traditionally conservative counties like Bexar, Cameron, Dallas and Harris supporting Obama. In 2004, Bush won Texas more dominantly with 61 percent of the votes. With half of the precincts in Texas counted by 10:30 p.m. Tuesday, Romney had 59 percent of Texas' vote.

For weeks leading up to the polls, Obama and Romney were stuck in a close race after a series of heated debates. In the final days before the election, Obama and Romney spent their time campaigning in the few battleground states that would decide the presidency.

Obama spent time campaigning in Ohio, Iowa and Wisconsin Monday, fighting for 34 electoral votes between

the states. He won all three.

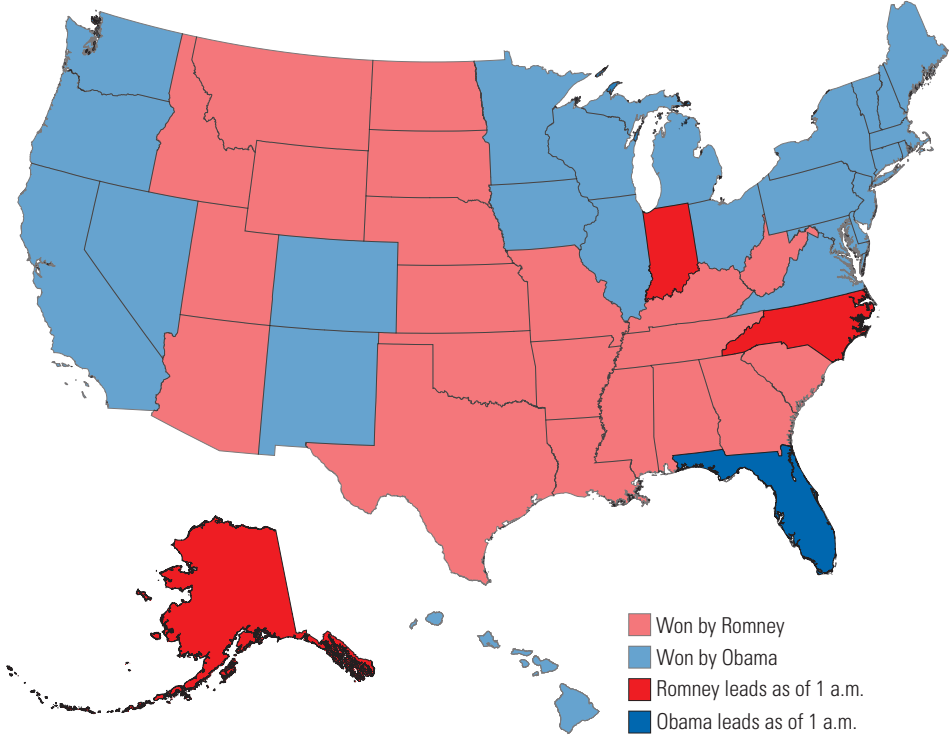
Ohio's 18 electoral votes were the turning point for Obama's campaign. The state was designated as one of the more important battleground states. Michigan is Romney's native state and where his late father served as governor. Obama also took Paul Ryan's home state of Wisconsin, adding 10 electoral votes to his victory. The last time a presidential candidate and his running mate lost both of their home states was in 1972, according to 270towin.com.

The president did not spend Election Day campaigning. Instead he attempted to reach out to swing states through television and radio interviews from Chicago. Romney made two last minute stops in Ohio and Pennsylvania, but those efforts did not help him win either state.

During campaigning, Obama promised to raise tax rates for the upper class but not raise them for the middle and lower classes. During the debates, the president reiterated the importance of keeping Iran from getting a nuclear weapon, and Romney repeatedly criticized the Obama administration for its handling of the aftermath of the murder of Christopher Stevens, U.S. ambassador to Libya.

During his first term, the president was credited with keeping the economy from collapsing, passing the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, repealing "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" and overseeing the mission that killed Osama Bin Laden. Romney and the Republican Party have repeatedly criticized the president for raising the deficit and government spending while not decreasing the unemployment rate below 6 percent.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE RESULTS



WESLEY WILLIAMS
GOVERNMENT SENIOR

"We'll see how the deficit and budget crisis turns out. I don't feel Obama's plan is going to be as successful as Romney's would've been. I'm a well-wisher, I want Obama to do well. I want him to fix the economy. I'm not ever going to wish bad for my country, so hopefully it's a good thing for the American people. I have complete respect for the man. It's not an easy job to do, so I'm in no place to criticize him."

IRLEE NGUYEN
UNDECLARED FRESHMAN

"I was really excited. I feel like the things that Obama stands for are like my values. He connects more with the middle class, and Romney's just more in favor of helping the rich minority. Coming from parents who are immigrants, I know Obama stands more for immigrants. I have a friend whose papers aren't in order, so I really support that he is doing the deferred action plan to help students."

JOHN HORTON
YOUNG CONSERVATIVES OF TEXAS
CHAPTER CHAIRMAN

"It's always great to see democracy in action. With that said, I am truly concerned about what the next four years will bring in regards to a higher regulatory burden, more intrusion by the federal government, lower take-home pay and even greater uncertainty. The president was dealt a difficult hand. In my opinion, he did nothing to make it better."

Austin voters approve election date change

By Joshua Fechter

Voters decided to move the City of Austin's general election from May to November and institute new term limits for the mayor and city council members after voters approved two ballot initiatives Tuesday.

77 percent voted in favor of Proposition 1 — a separate initiative from Central Health's proposition to increase property taxes to partially fund a proposed UT medical school and teaching hospital — to move the election of City Council members to November. 23 percent voted against it.

Proposition 2 will move City Council elections to November and institute a limit of two, four-year terms for the mayor and city council members. In addition, elections will take place during even-numbered years alongside gubernatorial and presidential elections. 76 percent voted in favor of the proposition and 24 percent voted against it.

Mayor Lee Leffingwell said moving city elections to November in even-numbered years will increase civic participation because citizens will educate themselves about local political topics in addition to national topics.

"Austinites will benefit from having a larger voter turnout," Leffingwell said.

According to the Travis County Clerk, 7.4 percent of 444,139 registered voters in the city of Austin voted in the May 2011 election. Only 1.92 percent of 584,919 registered voters in Travis County participated in the May 2010 election.

In contrast, about 59 percent of 495,735 registered Austin voters participated in this year's November election. 38.39 percent of 460,994 registered Austin voters participated in the November 2010 mid-term election and 66.12 percent of the 302,426 registered voters in Travis County voted in the November 2008 election.

The city estimates it will save \$255,000 per City Council election if elections are moved from May to November, according to the city's budget office. The city will save \$765,000 over three elections between 2013 and 2017.

Last year, the Austin City Council voted to continue holding the city's elections in May and allow voters to decide whether to move the election to November.

Council Member Chris Riley said Austin will see more citizen involvement in governance issues as a result of the propositions' passage.

"We're positioned to see a whole new level of engagement in civic participation," Riley said. "I think the days of single-digit participation are over."

City Council to create geographical districts

By David Loewenberg

The structure of Austin City Council will undergo significant changes and may become more responsive to student opinion after voters chose Proposition 3 over Proposition 4 Tuesday night.

Although both Proposition 3 and 4 received more than 50 percent voter approval, Proposition 3 will automatically be adopted because it received a larger percentage of the vote. The approved plan will establish 10 voting districts in the city with one city council representative each, and one mayor elected citywide. The voting districts will replace the current at-large council system in which all seven council members are elected citywide and represent the entire city rather than specific districts.

On Proposition 3, also known as the 10-1 plan, 60 percent voted "Yes" and 40 percent voted "No." Last year, UT Student Government endorsed the 10-1 plan which was placed on the ballot after 33,000 signatures were collected petitioning for it.

Proposition 4, also known as the 8-2-1 plan, failed to garner enough votes. On the 8-2-1 plan, 51 percent voted "Yes" and 49 percent voted "No." The 8-2-1 plan would have created eight single-member districts with two council members and a mayor elected citywide.

Proponents of the 10-1



Marisa Vasquez | Daily Texan Staff

Proponents of the 10-1 plan await results on Propositions 3 and 4 at Opal Divine's Tuesday.

plan said the establishment of 10 geographical districts will give areas with large student populations a much greater voice in city council. John Lawler, urban studies senior and Proposition 3 advocate, said the 10-1 plan could even open the door for a student to run for City Council.

"This is the first time in over 40 years [a student] may have the potential to win a seat on city council," Lawler said. "I think people are going to look at this and notice that the student endorsement was a critical one."

To draw the new districts, the 10-1 plan sets up a 14-member, independent redistricting commission. The commission will re-

quire representation that is diverse by race, gender, ethnicity and geography. One position on the commission will be open for a student.

Andrea Huerta, government sophomore and proposition 4 supporter, said although the 8-2-1 plan will not be implemented, the 10-1 plan will still be an improvement from the current at-large structure.

"Regardless of 3 or 4 winning, we're going to have a better system than what we have right now so the point is to move forward."

Currently, Austin is the largest city in the United States in which all members of the city council are elected citywide. Previous attempts to reform the structure of

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— John Lawler, Urban studies senior

city council had failed with the most recent ballot measure occurring in 2002.

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seat vacated by Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, Texas' senior statewide officeholder, who has been representing Texas in the Senate for more than 17 years. Hutchison, who in 1993 became the first woman to represent Texas in the Senate, announced in January of last year she would not seek re-election in 2012.

If elected, Cruz pledged to do away with President Barack Obama's health care reform and to lower the amount of spending in Washington. He also denounced Obama's deferred action for undocumented youth and opposes the DREAM Act, legislation that would legalize certain young, undocumented immigrants.

Cruz also favors strict

voter ID laws that require voters to show identification. According to his website, Cruz will aim to pass a balanced budget amendment and reduce government size and spending during his term.

During the Republican primaries in July, Cruz was able to score a surprising victory over Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who was considered the race's frontrunner throughout the majority of the primary. Despite having never run for public office and being relatively unknown in Texas, Cruz decided to take on Dewhurst, who spent \$19 million of his own money on his campaign and had the support of several Texas Republicans, including Gov. Rick Perry.

During his campaign to win the primary, Cruz was backed by the Tea Party and drew support from former U.S. vice presidential nominee Sarah Palin and money from national conservative groups.

Cruz is the former Solicitor General of Texas and was the first Hispanic to hold that position. He has argued nine cases before the Supreme Court, among which he successfully defended the Ten Commandments monument on the Texas State Capitol grounds and the recitation of the words "under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance in public schools. Cruz is also a former adjunct law professor at the University of Texas, where he taught U.S. Supreme Court litigation.



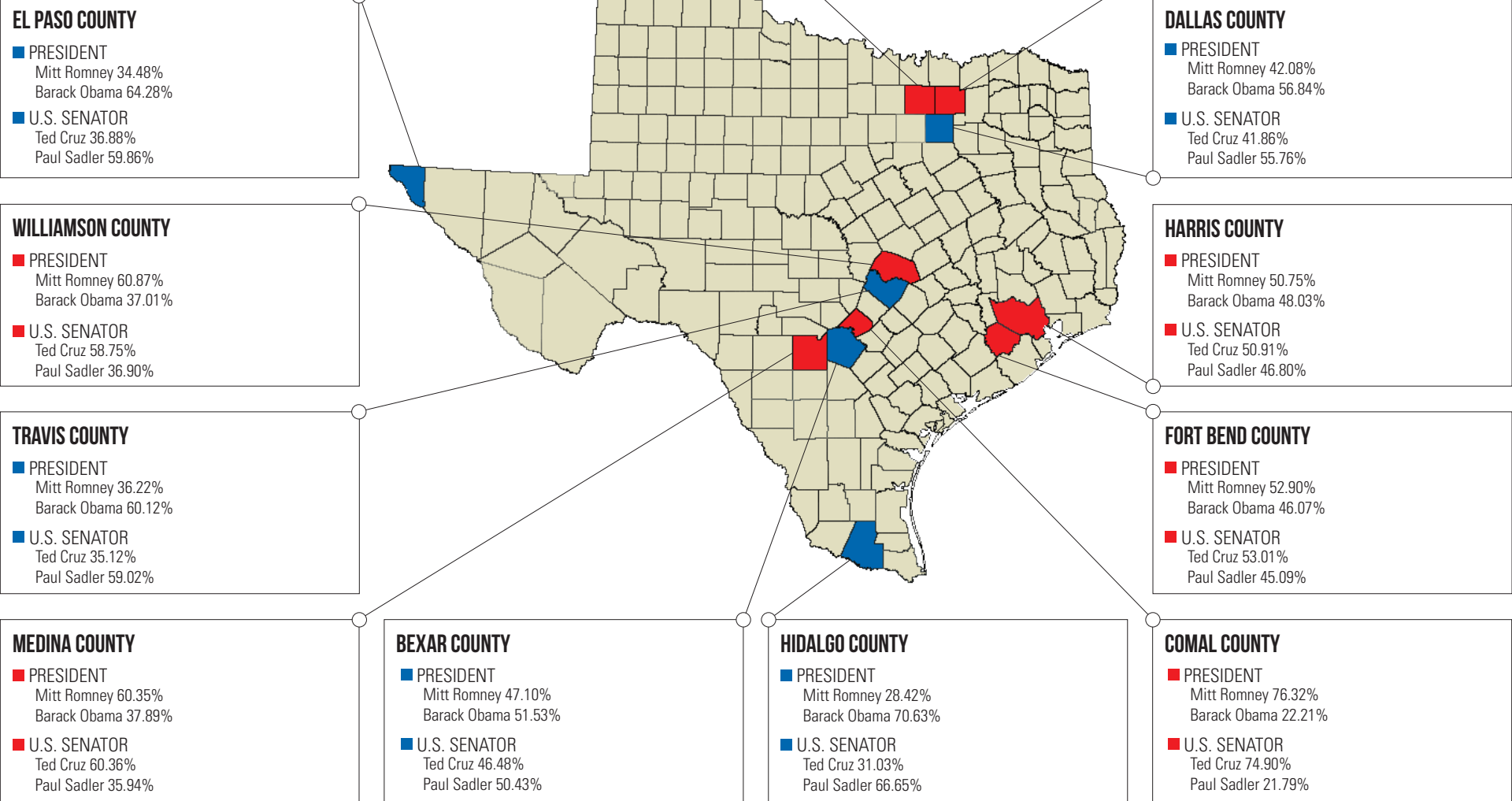
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Paul Sadler, Democratic candidate for U.S. Senate, makes a concession speech at the Texas Democratic Party election watch party, Tuesday in Austin. With Sadler are his wife, Sherri, and sons, Joel and Lee.

ELECTION RESULTS ACROSS TEXAS

This map displays the distribution of votes — for the presidential race between Barack Obama and Mitt Romney and Texas' U.S. Senate race between Paul Sadler and Ted Cruz — in the counties representing where most UT students come from. Counties were chosen based on enrollment data.

*Results accurate as of 12:30 a.m.



FOOTBALL

Texas D shows improvement

By Lauren Giudice

It took longer than Manny Diaz had hoped. But his defense finally played like it had expected to at the beginning of the season against Texas Tech.

It came two losses too late, but better late than never. "Our vision has never changed in terms of where we have to get to," Diaz said. "The process of getting there has been slower than we wanted, but it's important for our players to understand that we are not satisfied with the way we played on Saturday."

The biggest difference for the defense Saturday, compared to previous games, was the run defense. Texas sits in last in the Big 12 with 206.2 rushing yards given up per game.

But even with injuries to defensive end Jackson Jeffcoat, linebacker Jordan Hicks and defensive tackle Ashton Dorsey, the Texas defense managed to hold the Red Raiders to 112 rushing yards. Other than Texas' win over Wyoming in its season opener, that is the smallest number of yards on the ground the defense has given up. Kenny Williams led the Red Raiders with 71 rushing yards.

Members of the defense are stressing that all they needed was time for things to click.

"We trust each other more. I think we didn't have that at first," defensive tackle Desmond Jackson said. "We trusted one another, but we didn't really actually start playing as a team. So now it's like we have more trust in each other, so we're playing



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Carrington Byndom (23) and the rest of the defense have struggled this season. On Saturday, the defense played well and stopped the Texas Tech offense in the red zone and Byndom had his best game of the season.

at a higher standard."

There is no guarantee that this play will continue. But head coach Mack Brown said that the defense's confidence increased during the second half of the Kansas win, where they held the Jayhawks to just a field goal.

Texas won that game because the defense gave the offense a chance to find its rhythm.

"They've been under a lot of scrutiny," Brown said after Saturday's win. "Stopped the run today, stopped the run in the second half last week. When you stop the run, you have a chance to play. The game plan was to stop the run, stop the

screen game."

Brown has seen the defense play with more confidence and urgency these past two weeks than he did earlier this season. Diaz isn't going to stop pushing his corps to get back to the top.

The last two weeks, offenses have averaged 357 total yards and 173 rushing yards against Texas.

The two weeks before that, the Oklahoma and Baylor offenses averaged 642 total yards and 299 rushing yards. Granted, both Baylor and Oklahoma have stronger offenses than Kansas and Texas Tech. But the steps forward the defense has taken are clear.

"We trust each other more. I think we didn't have that at first. We trusted one another, but we didn't really actually start playing as a team.

—Desmond Jackson, defensive tackle

"Run defense is improving," Diaz said. "We're not giving up the big play. When you do those things it comes down to your third-down defense and your red-zone defense. That's how you win the football game besides keeping the score down. I don't think you can understate the importance of the first two against a team like Tech, a team you

know is going to get yards."

Tech did get 441 yards on offense. But like Diaz said, third-down defense and red-zone defense are what it comes down to. Of the six times the Red Raiders made it to the red zone, they were forced to kick field goals four times and Byndom blocked one of them. They

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VOLLEYBALL

Allison finds home in Texas, leads Horns

By Rachel Thompson

In rare moments of spare time, Hannah Allison likes to pull out the pots and pans and bake desserts.

But don't mistake her sweet tooth for a lack of vigor on the court.

"I just want to win," Allison said with a smile. "I just wanted to come somewhere where I could win and help my team win. If there's a goal, it's to win as much as possible."

That spoken determination is echoed in action each time Allison steps on the court. The junior setter began her Texas career as the No. 9 recruit in the nation. Since then, she's posted 2,379 assists, moving into ninth place on UT's career list for assists. Against Kansas State last week, she contributed 46 assists.

But for the Arkansas native, choosing Texas wasn't an easy decision in a state full of Razorback fans.

"People in Arkansas are either Arkansas or Oklahoma fans," she said. "They don't like Texas. I had to get over that."

The burnt orange draw ran deeper than just a solid athletic program, Allison said.

"For me, Texas couldn't be beat in all these different areas," she said. "The academics are awesome, athletics are awesome. What you have at

Texas you can't find anywhere else."

And despite her early uncertainty about the Lone Star State, Allison said she quickly grew accustomed to it.

"I like Texas," she said. "It is like its own little country just like everyone says it is, but there are great people here and I'm glad I have that community here."

The volleyball appeal, Allison said, began with her older sister, who now plays at Oklahoma Baptist University.

"She started playing club volleyball when she was 13 or 14 and I was 12, and I did everything she did," Allison said. "We both just fell in love with it."

Three years later, Allison is part of the No. 3 team in the nation, leading the Big 12 and working toward a

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Hannah Allison

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STAT GUY



Members of the Texas defense sit on the sideline after Texas Tech's Eric Stephens scored on a 10-yard pass from Seth Doege in the third quarter.

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A look at past UT defenses



By Hank South Daily Texan Columnist

Following the Red River Rivalry a few weeks ago, a game in which Texas surrendered almost 700 yards of offense to the Sooners, the Longhorns were on pace to become the worst defense, statistically speaking, in Texas history. Fast-forward three weeks and the Longhorns, who are coming off three straight victories, are still struggling to shut down offenses. The Longhorns continue to allow 446.6 yards per game, a number that would rank worst in program history by 45 yards a game.

With so much defensive talent on the field, including seven returning starters from a unit that ranked No. 11 in total defense in 2011, it seems almost impossible that this Texas defense would be the worst in school history. Numbers will tell you it is, but numbers are just that, numbers. Statistics don't

Year	Yards allowed per game	Avg. points given up	No. of ranked opponents
2012	446.6	31.5	3
2007	371.2	25.3	2
1997	399.2	33.3	1
1993	401.2	31	5
1956	370.8	41	3

contain context, such as the talent of the Longhorns' opponent, or having to match up against a potential Heisman Trophy winner. This season the Longhorn defense has faced immense offensive talent in over half its games, including the No. 1 and 2 total offenses in Baylor and Oklahoma State, respectively. Week after week the defense is forced to buckle up and hold on against the most offensively productive conference in college football.

Let's take four of the worst Texas defenses, statistically, in history (1956, 1993, 1997, and 2007) and compare them in context with this season's performances.

This season Texas has played three of the top 20 ranked teams and five of the top 25 ranked offenses in the country, coming away with a (3-2) record. In 1956, the Longhorns matched up against three ranked teams, allowing 41 points per game against them. Against unranked opponents on the year, the Longhorns allowed 21 points per game while compiling a (1-9) record. Versus unranked teams this season, Texas has allowed 23 points per game, but is a perfect (5-0).

In 1993, the Longhorns defense allowed 401.1

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SIDELINE



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"The line to vote is ridiculous right now. I wonder how mad people would be if I tried skipping ..."

BY THE NUMBERS

2012 Texas defense in Big 12

4th in pass defense

10th in rushing defense

6th in total defense

SPORTS BRIEFLY

Big 12 road teams have winning mark

There's proving to be no home-field advantage in the Big 12 this season. Road teams are on track to have a winning record for the first time in the conference's history, taking 16 of 27 games so far this year.

Historically, road teams have won only 40.6 percent of Big 12 games. The best finish for visitors was a .500 mark in both the inaugural Big 12 season in 1996 and again in 2010.

Texas Tech coach Tommy Tuberville called this season so far "a little mind-boggling." His Red Raiders are among the teams who have gotten the results backward, losing twice at home but winning a pair of games on the road this season. No. 3 Kansas State is the only team without a home loss in conference play.

Superdome to host Champions Bowl

NEW YORK (AP) — A person familiar with the decision says New Orleans will be the site of the new marquee bowl game between the Southeastern Conference and Big 12.

The game will still be called the Sugar Bowl and will be played in the Superdome, the person said, speaking on condition of anonymity because it had not been formally announced.

The story was first reported by ESPN.com.

Several sites were vying to host the game, including Dallas Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas.

The game will start in 2014, when the new four-team playoff postseason begins. It will match the champions from the SEC and Big 12, unless those teams are selected to the national semifinals.

In that case, two other highly rated teams from those conferences will be paired up.

—Compiled from Associated Press Reports

Allison credits her team-

"Hannah's very competitive and she works extremely hard and wants to win at all costs," Elliott said. "She's learning a lot about herself and becoming more patient with herself. She's becoming more of a leader, taking some of that feedback and running with it, but she's a lot more confident in terms of what she can do on the court."

Back in 1997, the defense allowed 33.3 points per game, the most in school history. The Longhorns also only faced one ranked team the entire

Five years ago, in 2007, the Longhorns were experimenting with defensive coordinators after Gene Chizik took the head coaching job at Iowa State. During the regular season, Texas saw two ranked opponents, allowing 20.5 points a game between the two

It would be unfair to call this year's defense the worst in Texas history, even if the statistics lean toward that reasoning. The amount of talent the Longhorns have faced, injuries and the Longhorns' overall record go to show just how talented the defensive unit actually is. Texas has many opportunities to squash its defensive woes as the season wears on.

After Texas' near loss to Kansas, the possibility increased that the Longhorns could fall in all four of its last games. The defense coming to life against Texas Tech provides the Longhorns with a realistic opportunity in its final three games to finish with 10 wins for the first time since 2010.

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Q-AND-A | KREAYSHAWN



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Kreayshawn performs at Fun Fun Fun Fest Saturday. The rapper’s new album, *Somethin ‘Bout Kreay*, utilizes a variety of musical styles.

Kreayshawn raps way into music game

By Eli Watson

Natassia Zolot, known as female rapper Kreayshawn, is the human equivalent of Jigglypuff. Like her Pokémon counterpart, Kreayshawn is animated and eccentric. She demands attention whenever performing and her pipsqueak vocal delivery is the gospel to hipster hip-hop fans and young girls whose wardrobe probably comes from Hot Topic. Kreayshawn stopped in Austin for Fun Fun Fun Fest. The rapper spoke with The Daily Texan about getting into the music industry, buying a dog and her latest album, *Somethin ‘Bout Kreay*.

The Daily Texan: The album spans through a bunch of sounds and influences. What influenced you to make such a diverse album?

Kreayshawn: I listen to a bunch of genres of music, so

I made this idea where every song on the album would sound like a different genre of music. They still maintain a Bay Area feel, but each song is different from one another.

DT: There is a genuineness to you that I think fans greatly appreciate. From personal songs such as “BFF” to your USTREAM videos where you hang with Andy Milonakis, you allow people to see you for who you are. Do you feel that has contributed to your success?

Kreayshawn: I started out on the Internet and always put random shit on there, and I kind of think people have grown with me since then. Like, they see old videos of me when I used to live in Oakland, playing my grandfather’s organ and free-styling. Those same people are the ones supporting me and buying my album. So it’s interesting that people get to grow with me, and that helps

me not change, you know? It’s not like I can recreate myself and be a completely different person. Sometimes people will be like, “Oh Kreayshawn, you’ve changed.” Of course I have changed. I was 18 when some of my videos went online. Now I’m 23: I’m smarter, more sophisticated, classy [laughs].

DT: One of the biggest discussions surrounding your latest album has been its record sales. But what I find interesting is that you’re still doing sold-out performances, which in this day and age in music may be more important than actual record sales. Is there anything you would like to clear up to those still giving you crap about it?

Kreayshawn: It’s not true that those were the worst sales. It was just a thing that one blog said. Second of all, it was only for sale at Hot Topic, and the albums sold out on

the second day. Once they sold out, they did not restock the album and still have not [laughs]. Also, I’m not Rihanna. What’s the point of harassing me because I did not sell over a million records? I do not give a shit about making money for the label at all. I think people are afraid to ask me that question. I’m proud of myself for even putting out an album. Everybody is entering the [music] game right now, so it’s a lot harder to get picked up and get noticed. It’s hard out here for a pimp.

DT: Prior to moving to Los Angeles, you attended Berkeley Digital Film Institute. If any, what was one of the most important lessons you took from going there?

Kreayshawn: The most important thing I learned about was editing. I love editing videos. I prefer that over directing or producing videos. Also, taking film seriously made

me want to take everything I was doing seriously. That was around the same time I started taking music seriously.

DT: The White Girl Mob disbanded earlier this year, but I was glad to see everyone in the music video for “Go Hard.” Will there ever be a White Girl Mob super release or tour?

Kreayshawn: I would love for that to happen, but everyone is just doing their own thing at the moment. Like, Lil’ Debbie is rapping now, and Vanessa [V-Nasty] is doing a lot of collaborations on her own. I’m down, but we’ll have to wait and see.

DT: What are your plans once tour is done?

Kreayshawn: I want to get a puppy. I want to get a French Bulldog, but I feel like an asshole buying a dog from a breeder. So I may just get a really cute puppy that I know I’ll be in love with.

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more than anyone else. In “Last Supper At Brown’s,” Donoghue writes in the first person from the point of view of a slave. Other stories are told through letters between multiple parties. Some of the writing is taken directly, word for word, from old letters Donoghue found in her research.

Each of the three parts in Donoghue’s collection is symbolic for a leg of a journey — beginning, middle and end. The first part is a collection of four stories about the beginnings of a journey, the second a collection of five stories about journeys in transit and the third a collection of five stories about the ending and aftermath of a journey. Donoghue keeps a constant theme of people who are lost, traveling or finding their way.

While her stories are set in the days of Henry David Thoreau and Charles Dickens, she keeps her writing style simple and sweet — she writes about a not-so-modern time in modern style. One of her better pieces that shows this is “The Body Swap,” a story about an undercover agent who infiltrates a gang that breaks into Abraham Lincoln’s tomb in 1876. In this narrative, Donoghue keeps the crime story short and exciting.

A few stories end unsatisfactorily however. On several occasions, Donoghue ends a story at what feels like is the middle or the beginning. Several of her works could have used just two or three more pages to conclude. While she purposely writes only about the beginning of journeys in her first part, this leaves many of the stories without real endings. In part one, only “The Widow’s Curse,” in which a fake widow

tricks an attorney into helping her steal her living husband’s fortune, has a complete ending. Other stories, like “Onward” end much less satisfyingly. “Onward” is about an English family who plans to escape their poor life by journeying to the new world, but ends just as the family makes their decision — the reader lacks any idea of the outcome.

Although she chooses to prematurely end a few of her stories, Donoghue is a talented storyteller. Some stories are too short, none are too long and none of her stories bore the reader.

Donoghue’s “Astray” is a well-written collection of short stories that go back and forth between despair and hope. At only 288 pages, her stories work together to tell the complicated narrative of the world’s adventurers faced in a time when the world was still being made by those who journeyed into it.



Photo courtesy of Emma Donoghue

Emma Donoghue’s new book, “Astray,” is a collection of short, historical stories.

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five minutes earlier, it would be different,” Perrin said. “It’s extremely exciting, and the communication is the most interesting aspect, because everyone needs to be nonverbally communicating at all times in order for it to be a cohesive piece. Watching the communication transpire on stage is so elegant.”

Lucy Kerr, a dance and philosophy senior, will be improvising a contemporary dance to a percussion piece and a Haydn piece. Looking for a more emotional dance form,

Kerr branched out from traditional ballet and modern dance. Improvisation allows her to feel the music and relate that experience to her audience. All genres of dance can be improvised, but Kerr focuses on modern and contemporary styles.

“There’s something about modern dance and contemporary dance. There’s a lot of dynamic, and there’s a virtuosic kind of power to it,” Kerr said. “It tries to communicate ideas that contribute to society and the human condition. But sometimes it’s just about the dancing.”

While improvisation may be more nerve-racking for

the artists, it allows the audience to experience the creation of the piece.

“It’s all performance; the piece only exists while the piece is playing,” sculptor Randi Mabry, a studio art senior, said. “After it ends you have the remnants of it. For me, I don’t really see that [finished piece] as a piece in itself. For me, it’s the act of painting while the music is playing.”

By allowing the audience to see visual art being impulsively made, Mabry said she is pushing the traditional definitions of performance art. Generally, visual art is developed over time and with precision. Mabry normally creates sculptures that

are abstract and conceptual.

“I like abstract art because its emphasis is on process and not product. I could spend anywhere up to 10 hours on one painting and not get bored,” Mabry said. “It takes a life of its own. In realistic painting, you have one ideal image and the process of it leading up to the art.”

Rather than developing the ideas behind her art, Mabry experiences a new sensation every time she paints to music. The music directs her art.

“Improvisational painting differs, because I have an auditory structure to it,” Mabry said. “In listening to music, I listen to the rhythm like the

staccatos. The brush strokes reflect the rhythm, and usually the colors of the paint that I use will be reflective of the music itself.”

Perrin said that Classical Reinvention is part of a movement to modernize classical music instead of confining audiences to the typical performance setting. The challenge comes from attempting to please both longtime patrons and progressives.

“These aren’t gimmicks, and they aren’t an attempt to dumb it down. They enhance and enrich and show classical music from different perspectives so that you go away with more than you would have normally.”

Q-and-A

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the perspective and empathy for how their work links to a positive impact on teaching and learning.

DT: In 2011, the Walton Family Foundation donated \$25.5 million to the KIPP foundation. Critics have suggested that KIPP’s reliance on private donors could lead to conflicts of interest. How do you balance KIPP’s reliance on private donors with its position as a public school?

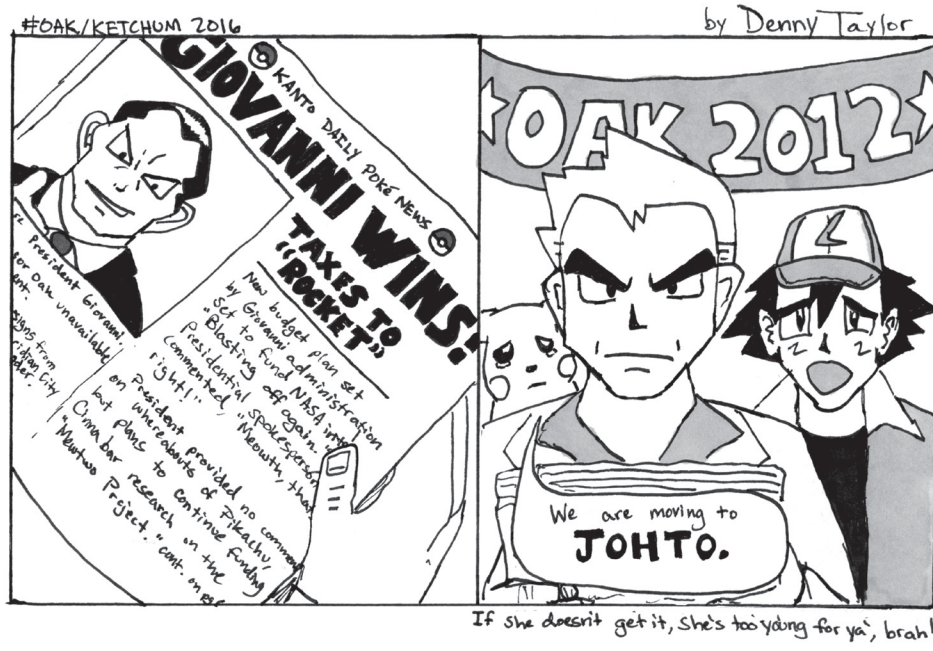
Feinberg: The Walton Family Foundation grant was given over a period of five years, and is designed to support recruitment and training of school principals. KIPP schools have their own funding sources, which are a mix of public and philanthropic sources. KIPP has to fundraise, because we receive less per-pupil funding than traditional district schools do. In Texas, charter schools also get no money or support for funding school buildings, while district schools do. Even with the extra fundraising that makes up that difference, KIPP Houston Public Schools still spends about the same per pupil as the Houston Independent School District.

DT: In Texas, school vouchers are expected to be the hottest topic in the upcoming legislative session. What is your position on voucher programs and how they should or should not be administered? If implemented in Texas, how would vouchers affect the Texas KIPP systems?

Feinberg: As a network of public charter schools, KIPP doesn’t have an official position on providing parents vouchers for private schools. As far as my own personal beliefs, I will say that it’s crucial to give low-income parents more high-quality choices for where to send their kids to school. Many of those parents also tried to get their children into public magnet schools and were rejected. Unlike middle- and upper-income parents, low-income parents can’t afford to pay for private school or move to more pricey neighborhoods where the schools are better. It is a moral imperative that we give more parents high-quality educational options for their children.

DT: KIPP has started to institute “Character GPAs” that attempt to put a number to student’s character achievements in categories like ‘grit’ and ‘love of learning.’ If you had a character GPA when you were in middle school, what would it have been and why? Why prompted KIPP to start using character GPAs?

Feinberg: At KIPP, we have always focused on character as much as academics. My KIPP co-founder, Dave Levin, has recently taken this focus even farther. He has worked with researchers to help the KIPP schools in New York City develop the KIPP Character Growth Card that assesses seven key character strengths: grit, zest, optimism, self-control, social intelligence, gratitude and curiosity. We believe that you are not born with a fixed set of these strengths, but can develop them over time. I think my strongest character strength in school was grit. I didn’t always have an easy time in school, and it took a lot of grit for me to make it all the way through college. Now I’m thrilled to see our students developing that same skill because it means they’ll be well prepared for the road ahead. On the other hand, I wasn’t very good with self-control, and it’s something I still need to work on to this day.



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OFFBEAT

Music-inspired art strikes chord

Reinvented classics heighten experience by using paint, dance

By Olivia Arena

Classical Reinvention’s “Paint.Play.Plié.” performance will combine different art forms in an interdisciplinary portrayal of classical music. Rather than utilizing a stage, the performances will occur on a single flat plane. Classical Reinvention founder and president Jacqueline Perrin says she focuses on developing a new way for classical music to engage audiences. “I’ve learned that audiences are really receptive when they realize that you are trying to reach out to them. Audiences are way smarter than we ever give them credit for, but a lot of classical musicians that I know think of the audience as our enemy in the way of our art,” Perrin said. “No, they are real human beings, and you should probably cater to them like they are human beings.”

Perrin was originally inspired to start the organization after watching years of unengaging performances.

“I started this organization two years ago because I’m sick of what I like to call ‘sit down, shut up’ concerts. I’ve been exposed to this art form and I love it so much, but the way it is performed



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Studio art senior Randi Mabry believes that showing an audience visual art being impulsively made on stage pushes the boundary of traditional performance art. “It’s all performance; the piece only exists while the piece is playing,” Mabry said.

makes it really difficult to enjoy,” Perrin said. “My goal through this organization is to make classical music more accessible to people.”

Perrin incorporates different modes of expression and

performance into her shows. In “Paint.Play.Plié.” the performers will dance or paint to live classical music. The twist is that all the performances will be improvised.

“Improvisation is interesting,

because it should inform how you experience the work. What you are listening to now could easily be different. If you were to listen to the exact same thing

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What: “Paint. Play. Plié.” Classical Reinvention Performance.

When: Thursday 7-8 p.m.

Where: Doty Fine Arts Building

Who: Classical Reinvention

CAMPUS

Design students showcase skills in athletic apparel competition

By Elizabeth Williams

The morning of Nov. 3 brought a hectic rush of sewing enthusiasts to local sewing store Sew Much More. Hanspeter Ueltschi, the fourth-generation owner of world-renowned sewing machine brand BERNINA International, was paying a visit to commend Sew Much More as one of Austin’s premier BERNINA dealers and sign a few fans’ sewing machines along the way. Even though Ueltschi brought out the crowds, the morning’s stars turned out to be three apparel design seniors from UT.

Students in the apparel design department were all assigned the task of designing

and producing an ensemble out of cotton fabric suitable for an activity or sport of their choice. The outfits were then judged on the quality of their design, the construction of the garment and the garment’s suitability for the chosen activity. The outfits were so impressive that a first, second and third place were awarded to seniors Meghan McKinney, Kaitlin Rowland and Kinni Song, respectively.

“The owners of the store were on a panel to judge our designs and they enjoyed it so much they invited us to show them in the store,” Rowland said.

Students found design inspiration from three very different activities. McKinney designed a sleek black and orange motorcycle outfit. Rowland designed

a camouflage hunting ensemble with pops of purple. Song designed a mint green ice-skating dress and pants with reflective tape accents.

The designs featured at Sew Much More are just a fraction of the young women’s growing senior portfolios. These outfits will be making another appearance as they walk the runway in the design school’s spring fashion show. After graduation they will begin their foray into the working world of fashion.

“Eventually, we’d all like to be designers,” McKinney said. “That’s really all of our goals.”

The talents displayed by the students are a testament to the growing textiles and apparels department in UT’s School of Human Ecology.



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Senior apparel design students Meghan McKinney, Kaitlin Rowland and Kinni Song were assigned the task of constructing garments out of cotton fabric to use in an activity of their choice.

“Companies in New York like Christian Dior and Marc Jacobs know about our students,” design lecturer Karen Bravo said.

The apparel design department at UT is unlike other fashion institutes that focus solely on creative processes and design.

“Our students have to take

many courses outside of actual textile and design courses,” Bravo said. “They take classes like Business Foundations and are preparing themselves to actually run a business, not just design.”

Women and men, young and old bustled throughout

the store, stumbling upon the students’ designs. Many stopped to take pictures of the ensembles and marvel at the girls’ work.

“Right now, we’re learning how to work for others,” Rowland said. “But I can’t wait to be the one in charge.”

BOOK REVIEW | ‘ASTRAY’

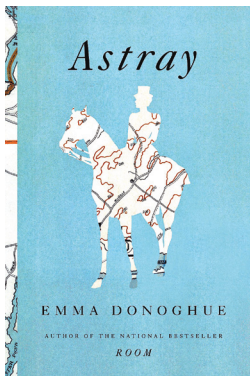
Migrants’ journeys brought to life

By Bobby Blanchard

Emma Donoghue’s “stray,” a short story collection that switches artfully across many writing styles and narrative voices, tells 14 tales of people who are finding their way home.

Divided into three parts, Donoghue’s collection of short stories is about the world of immigrants, orphans, gold miners and other wandering people. Each story has a different approach in its style and is based on true events Donoghue found in old letters and newspaper articles. Although she fictionalizes her stories by creating the characters and giving them life, it is clear she did not stray outside of the boundaries of what she found in her research — she did not fictionalize real events too much.

Her stories range from an English elephant keeper who prepares himself for a journey to the U.S. with his beast in the



Astray
Emma Donoghue

Genre: Literary Fiction

Publisher: Little, Brown and Company

“Donoghue’s ‘Astray’ is a well-written collection of short stories that go back and forth between despair and hope.

late 1800s, a black slave that kills his master and runs away with his master’s wife during the Civil War and a woman who fools an attorney into helping her steal her husband’s fortune in 1735.

But what is more remarkable than Donoghue’s wide

range of stories is the vast range of style she uses in telling them. The entire story of “Man and Boy” is written as Matthew Scott’s dialogue with his pet elephant Jumbo, an animal he loves dearly and

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Q-AND-A | MIKE FEINBERG

Founder of charter school network pushes character grades for success

By Laura Wright

On Wednesday the Texas Chapter of Students for Education Reform will co-host Mike Feinberg, a founder of the Knowledge is Power Program (KIPP) network of charter schools, with the recruiters for the KIPP Houston system. The Daily Texan took the time to talk with Feinberg about the path to becoming a teacher, school vouchers and the character flaws he harbored in middle school. This interview was edited for clarity and conciseness.

The Daily Texan: Many UT students are interested in education reform but not necessarily interested in teaching. Do you believe teaching in the classroom gave you a significantly different perspective on the education reform movement, and if so, how?

Mike Feinberg: There are a



Mike Feinberg, the founder of the Knowledge is Power Program, will be speaking on campus Wednesday.

Photo courtesy of Mike Feinberg

whole host of needs in education reform. The biggest need is more great teachers, but there are certainly other needs as well. The education reformers outside of the classroom who have been the most successful at their various efforts have been those who were former classroom teachers and who have

Mike Feinberg

When: Wednesday 6-7 p.m.

Where: SZB 104

Price: Free admission

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